

State of Utah

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

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US Bank National Association Standby Letters of Credit BC-MN-H20G 800 Nicolett Mall Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402

Subject: <u>Authorization for Partial Release of Reclamation Surety, Letter of Credit</u>

<u>Ames Construction Company, TME Asphalt Ridge Mine,</u>

<u>M/047/0089</u>, Uintah County, Utah

Dear Sir or Madam:

US Bank is presently holding letter of credit number for the benefit of the State of Utah, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (Division), as a form of reclamation surety for the TME Asphalt Ridge Mine, permit number M/047/0089. The Division authorizes reduction of the letter of credit from \$1,151,713.00 to \$275,000.00. This amount will be sufficient for the existing disturbance, and no expansion of the disturbance will be authorized without a corresponding change in the surety amount.

When this transaction has been completed, please furnish the Division with an amended letter of credit showing the new amount.

Please contact Dana Dean at 801-538-5320, or Paul Baker at 801-538-5261 if you have questions or concerns about this action. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely

John R. Baza Director

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Attachment: Bond Release Findings

Temple Mountain Energy, Operator Lennie Bothiello, Ames Construction

